

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6-10, 12-17, 19, and 21-24 are pending. Claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12, 13, and 19 have been amended and claims 5, 11, 18, and 20 have been canceled. In this paper, the independent claims have been amended to recite features in one or more previously examined dependent claims. Applicants therefore submit that the claim amendments presented in this paper raise no new issues requiring further searching or consideration by the examiner, making entry of this paper proper.

In the Final Office Action, claims 1-14, 16, 17, and 19-24 were rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) for being anticipated by Tomita publication. Applicants request withdrawal of this rejection for the following reasons.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite that the setting step includes “updating the stored display mode information with data corresponding to the detected signal type and setting the signal processing mode of the apparatus to a mode corresponding to the detected signal type when it is determined, based on the result of the comparison, that the detected signal type does not correspond to the stored display mode information.” These features are not taught or suggested by the Tomita publication.

The Tomita publication discloses converting between different television signal formats, including NTSC and PAL. However, Tomita does not disclose comparing the detected type of a received signal with stored display mode information. Rather, as disclosed at column 5, Tomita converts a received signal and inputs it into a video signal processor 6 for display in response to

a signal format selected by convert control means 10. This means is controlled by the manual switch discussed at column 8, lines 40-47. That is, in Tomita, a desired country name or television standard designated manually by the user. Consequently, Tomita does not disclose allowing the type of information recited in claim 1 to be updated based on a detected signal type.

That is, Tomita does not disclose storing display mode information in the manner recited in claim 1 and therefore also does not disclose the updating step of claim 1, i.e., updating stored display mode information with data corresponding to a detected signal type. Moreover, Tomita does not disclose setting the signal processing mode of the apparatus to a mode corresponding to the detected signal type when it is determined, based on the result of the comparison, that the detected signal type does not correspond to the stored display mode information.

Because the Tomita publication does not disclose all the features of claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that the Tomita publication does not anticipate claim 1. Furtherance of claim 1 and its dependent claims to allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

Claims 7 and 13 have been amended to recite features similar to those which patentably distinguish claim 1 from the Tomita publication. Applicants therefore submit that claims 7, 13, and their dependent claims are also allowable.

The § 103 rejection is traversed on grounds that the Murata publication does not teach or suggest the features of base claims 1, 7, and 13 missing from the Tomita publication.

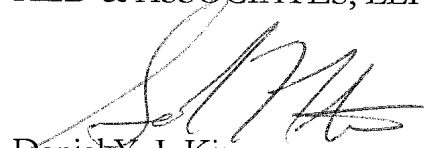
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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and timely allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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